Wisconsin Legislative Council

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GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Study committees are comprised of both legislators and public members with expertise and interest in the committee's topic.
- Study committees generally meet in Madison in the summer and fall, approximately once every four to six weeks. Study committee meetings are all-day meetings.
- The Legislative Council will reimburse public members for the costs of travel to committee meetings.
- Membership for study committees is nominated by the Joint Legislative Council (JLC) co-chairs and approved by the full JLC. In determining who will be nominated, the co-chairs consider factors that include areas of expertise or experience and representation of the state geographically.
- The goal for maximum committee size is eight to 12 committee members.
- Each study committee's work should be completed by the end of this calendar year.
- In study committees, procedure is usually relaxed to allow for the exchange of ideas to reach consensus. The JLC has one rule that must be followed: all members must be present to vote.
- Members will receive an agenda and other materials one week prior to each meeting.